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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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KAZUO OHYAMA)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2854
Appln. No.: 10/658,659)	
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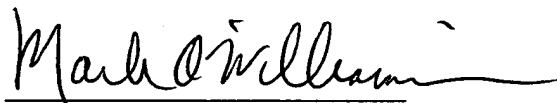
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

JP '532 and JP '644 are discussed on page 2 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons noted therein. JP'644 corresponds to US '942.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

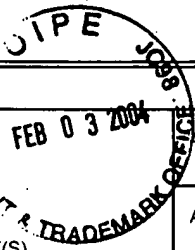
Respectfully submitted,

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER'S INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	5,874,979	02/1999	Ohyama			
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
2000-71532	03/2000	Japan			Abstract
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OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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